Foodgrains Storage System

†1220. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to make foodgrains storage system more effective;

(b) whether Government have taken any action in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) In order to reduce the storage and transit losses and to modernize the system of handling, storage and transportation of foodgrains in India, a national policy on handling, storage and transportation of foodgrains has been announced by the Government on 4th July, 2000. The policy announced by the Government seeks to harness efforts and resources of private and public sectors, both domestic and foreign, to build and operate infrastructure for bulk handling, storage and transport of foodgrains procured by the Food Corporation of India (FCI). The policy also envisages creation of conventional storage capacity through private sector participation on Build-Own-Operate basis.

Issue of Ration Card to BPL Families

1221. SHRI R.P. GOENKA:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the task of identifying the Below Poverty Line households under the Antyodaya Anna Yojana, announced in

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December 2000, has been completed and ration cards have been issued to them in various States;

(b) if so, the estimated number of these Below Poverty Line households, State-wise; and

(c) the present status of implementation of the Targeted Public Distribution Scheme, State-wise, to supply 20 kg. of rations to the poorest of the poor, at the rate of Rs. 2/- per Kg. for wheat and Rs. 3/- per Kg. for rice every month?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) announced on 25.12.2000 contemplates identification of poorest of the poor families from amongst the estimated number of BFL families. The Scheme has been implemented in all States and UTs in the country. A statement indicating the estimated number of Antyodaya families (State-wise), the number of families actually identified and status of implementation of the Scheme is annexed.

Statement

State-wise No. of Antyodaya Families Estimated No. of Families actually Idenfified by the States/UTs and Month from which allocation started

Sl. No.	STATE/UT	No. of Antyodaya Families	No. of Antyodaya Families Actually identified	Month from which allocation is made
1	2	3	4	5
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	622,800	622,800	March, 2001
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	15,100	15,100	January, 2002
3	ASSAM	281,500	281,500	November, 2001
4	BIHAR	1,000,000	999,982	October, 2001
5	CHHATTISGARH	287,400	287,400	March, 2001
6	DELHI	62,600	32,000	January, 2002

1	2	3	4	5
7	GOA$	7,300	7,300	September, 2001
8	GUJARAT*	325,000	325,000	July, 2001
9	HARYANA	120,900	98,214	May, 2001
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	78,700	78,700	March, 2001
11	JAMMU & KASHMIR	112,900	112,900	July, 2001
12	JHARKHAND	366,500	366,500	June, 2001
13	KARNATAKA#	479,700	476,197	August, 2001
14	KERALA	238,200	238,200	March, 2001
15	MADHYA PRADESH	632,400	632,400	March, 2001
16	MAHARASHTRA	1,001,700	1,001,700	May, 2001
17	MANIPUR	25,500	25,500	January, 2002
18	MEGHALAYA	28,100	28,100	November, 2001
19	MIZORAM	10,500	10,500	April, 2001
20	NAGALAND	18,900	18,900	October, 2001
21	ORISSA	505,500	505,500	September, 2001
22	PUNJAB	71,700	71,700	May, 2001
23	RAJASTHAN	372,600	372,600	March, 2001
24	SIKKIM	6,700	6,700	September, 2001
25	TAMIL NADU%	745,500	522,049	January, 2002
26	TRIPURA	45,224	45,224	September, 2001
27	UTTARANCHAL!	76,300	76,300	September, 2001
28	UTTAR PRADESH	1,637,100	1,617,400	July, 2001
29	WEST BENGAL	793,900	732,855	October, 2001
30	A & N ISLANDS@	4,300	4,300	July, 2001
31	CHANDIGARH	3,500	2,100	October, 2001
32	D & N HAVELI	2,800	2,800	March, 2001
33	DAMAN & DIU	600	600	April, 2001
34	LAKSHADWEEP	400	400	December, 2001
35	PONDICHERRY	12,800	9,000	November, 2001
	TOTAL	9,994,624	9,628,421	

$ Allocation to GOA revised for 1279 families to 7300 families from November, 2001.

Allocation to KARNATAKA revised from 3,87,155 families to 4,76,179 families from December, 2001.

* Allocation to GUJARAT revised from 2,60,000 families to 3,25,000 families from February, 2002.

% Allocation to TAMILNADU revised from 3,74,834 families to 5,22,049 families from February, 2002.

! Allocation to UTTAR PRADESH revised from 10,28,106 families to 16,17,400 families from February, 2002.

@ Allocation to A&N Island revised for 2400 families to 4300 families from October, 2001.